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Special six-page Pan Am feature inside



Edmonton's Ben Hayward turns for an upriver gate in the men's K1 (kayak singles) slalom event on his way to a bronze medal at the Pan Am Games this

past weekend at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. Close to 500 people saw the event where four medals were won by Canadians, including a gold

medal by Jazmyne Denhollander in the women's K1 (kayak singles). /DARREN LUM Staff

Minden swept up in excitement of Pan Am Games

by **ELIZABETH BATE**
Times Staff

It was a once in a lifetime kind of weekend in Minden Hills July 18 and 19 as the Pan

Am Games came to the Minden Wild Water Preserve.

Local businesses are reporting an increase in customers and excitement as both visitors and volunteers flooded the town for the event.

Kawartha Dairy manager Amy Hayford says the store was swamped on Saturday as shuttles dropped off orange-clad Pan Am helpers by the van load.

"It was good business," she said. "I think

people were extremely excited because you don't usually get this kind of event up here."

Fielding questions from customers for weeks before the event, Hayford said work-

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Residents concerned by proposed solar farm

by **ELIZABETH BATE**
Times Staff

Duck Lake residents descended on an information meeting about the proposed Minden Solar Farm to register their displeasure on July 14.

Algonquin Power held the community meeting at the Minden Legion Branch 636 as part of a community engagement plan to provide information about the proposed 250 acre project and answer questions residents may have. With upwards of 60 people showing up it was a much larger turnout than they were expecting, according to Algonquin Power employees.

Many Duck Lake residents in attendance wore name tags telling others who they were and where they were from in order to show a unified stand by the community. Angel Taylor, a Duck Lake resident and organizer of the group, said the residents came together when they discovered their mutual disappointment in the project and the consultation process.

“This is really an invasive, dangerous process that concerns me deeply,” she said.

Residents’ concerns were mainly focused around environmental issues. Taylor and others were concerned about

the displacement of wildlife when the 250 acres marked is cleared to make way for the project.

Taylor said displaced predators may react to the habitat loss by encroaching on local farms, putting livestock at risk.

“In Haliburton, we have very few farms and they are truly challenged,” she said.

Algonquin Power is aiming to submit the Minden project to the Ontario government for approval by September, when the next batch of applications for large renewable energy projects is being considered. The company had wanted to be included in the group of applications set for June, but missed the deadline, said Brian Wark, a senior solar business developer with Algonquin.

The proposed site is on private property with the landowner agreeing to lease the required space to the company. No municipal approval of the site will be required to build should the project be chosen by the province to go forward.

Wark said the response was mixed, but said there were positive comments about the type of energy that was being put in place.

“We get a lot of positive feedback for getting solar deployed, but people don’t want to see it near their house,” he said.

Other concerns from residents included worry that the farm would disrupt the scenic views, said Wark.

Taylor said she had hoped Algonquin would choose a site that was open, allowing them to build the farm without removing existing wilderness.

“I want to stress we support alternative energy projects, but not anywhere and in any way,” she said.

Wark indicated Algonquin was sensitive to the environmental concerns of residents and would be conducting a mandatory environmental study to ensure wetlands were not disturbed.

“Environment Canada comes back and tells us there are wetlands and possible endangered species and gives us a setback,” he said. Algonquin is required to adhere to the setbacks they are given, even if it means they must build around wetlands and other environmental concerns in the area.

Wark admitted that wildlife would be displaced by the project and said he saw little way around that.

“We have to make open space,” he said.

Wark says the project will be 40 to 60 megawatts, enough to power a small town. That power will be sold back to Hydro One, going onto the provincial grid.

“Many of the citizens in this community are shareholders in Algonquin, so the money will go back into the community that way,” he said.

Angie Steckle of West Guilford said that formula is contributing to rising electricity costs.

“We don’t need the hydro. All our excess hydro is being sold to the States at a loss and we’ve got to pay for that,” she said.

Wark said while it was true that power was sold to other jurisdictions, it was more efficient than turning the power Ontario produces off or down to manage fluctuations in need.

“That’s all political BS,” he said. “It’s more efficient for jurisdictions to share. We balance it out. It’s better to do that than turn off gas.”

Steckle’s environmental concerns about the project include objections to the way the solar panels are produced.

“It’s costly and it’s not green,” she said. “The way they’re made, the factories they’re made in, look at all the pollution in China.”

Steckle referred to research showing the production of solar panels creates toxic runoff and contaminates water systems.

After an initial presentation, Algonquin Power representatives spoke with residents one-on-one at storyboard displays. Taylor said she was disappointed with the set-up of the meeting calling it “cynical and non-consultative.” She said she would have rather seen a meeting that allowed for a wider discussion among the group present.

Taylor voiced concerns about the timelines of the program consultations and approval process.

“The fact that the environmental study isn’t done until the project is approved means we’re buying – as someone said – ‘a pig in a poke,’” she said.

Algonquin’s official community engagement plan says the company finds the “storyboards are an efficient method in communicating project details to attendees.” The feedback the company received about the project will be given to the municipality in a report, as well as posted on their website.

“We’re here to get the municipality on board,” said Wark.



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Council considers selling land to Orillia Power Generation

by **JENN WATT**
Editor

Minden Hills council has given staff authorization to look into selling land to Orillia Power Generation, which needs two pieces of shore road allowance in order to construct a hydro electric generating facility on the Gull River.

At a special council meeting on Thursday, July 16, councillors voted to allow the planning department to start the process necessary for OPG to develop a renewable energy project.

“In this instance, this would facilitate an application under the IESO, Independent Electricity System Operator, for a renewable energy generation facility,” said Minden Hills planner Ian Clendening.

He said there should be stipulations on the sale of the land, given that it is widely used by kayakers.

“There remains a public interest in ensuring that recreational enthusiasts may seek refuge along the shore of this popular kayaking destination without trespassing on private land,” the planner wrote in his report to council.

“Notwithstanding the above, the purpose of the application is to facilitate the development of a renewable energy project which requires only so much land as is necessary to construct the associated infrastructure. The areas required for the proposed development would not significantly impede the above noted concerns.”

Clendening suggested the agreement with Orillia Power stipulate that only as much land as is necessary for the development be sold, with the rest remaining in public ownership.

To compensate Minden Hills, the company is suggesting

trading land, giving the township a parcel of 12.5 acres along Horseshoe Lake Road by the river in exchange.

Council’s resolution also specified that it benefit from a right-of-way over the shore road allowance until construction activities happen.

In order to accommodate the tight IESO timeframe, council also agreed to alter the notification period, allowing the planning department to post in the newspaper at the same time as waiting to hear back on comments from individuals and agencies who were specifically contacted about the application. Those two periods don’t usually overlap.

Councillor Lisa Schell said it seemed backward for council to make a decision before the public meeting, which was scheduled for later that same day. She asked Clendening to confirm that there would be an opportunity to reject the proposal at a later date should the public be overwhelmingly against it.

He said council would be voting on entering into agreements in August and that voting in favour of this piece simply allowed the preliminary steps to begin.

Following councillors’ questions, Clendening said he would inquire about how much fencing would be used and what the restrictions on kayakers would be around the site.

Reeve Brent Devolin pointed out that the federal government had just announced it would be doing major work on the dam.

“Definitely there are some changes coming to the existing structure as it is,” he said.

The finalized agreement on selling the shore road allowances will be coming back to council in August.

See coverage of the public meeting on page 9.



Bluegrass festival strikes a chord in Minden

Above, Marshal Tebworth, 10, left, plays the fiddle beside his brother Wyatt, 12, at the Minden Hills Bluegrass Festival on Friday, July 17 at the Minden Fairgrounds as part of The Tebworth Brothers.

Top left, The Schotts musical duo member Darrin Schott sings at the Minden Hills Bluegrass Festival on Friday, July 17 at the Minden Fairgrounds. Close to 600 people attended the multi-day music event that started on Friday and ended on Sunday. Organizers considered the event “one of the best festivals we’ve ever had,” owing it to the quality of the music and the overwhelming positive audience feedback.

Bottom left, Alison Schott sings with husband Darrin as part of the musical duo The Schotts.

Photos by Darren Lum

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AH council in favour of MBC info request

by ELIZABETH BATE
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the July 16 meeting of Algonquin Highlands council.

The Maple, Beech and Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners' Association has made a freedom of information request surrounding an application to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change for a proposed septic site in Stanhope, it said in a letter to council.

Council voted in favour of supporting the FOI request, but said there was little it could do to help residents who are concerned about the stability of the proposed site.

The septic disposal site is not considered a new facility, and is just considered land spread, which means the applicants do not need permission from the township in order to proceed with the application under provincial regulations.

The planner for Algonquin Highlands sent a request for information along with questions about the project to the MOE, but has yet to receive a response, said Reeve Carol Moffatt.

"I find it absolutely extraordinary that there would be no

consultation whatsoever for an application like this. That there would be no consideration for zoning, for official planning," said Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen. "I just think there should be something we can do about it. Fighting with upper levels of government is like hitting your head against the wall."

The property owner is also not required to re-zone the property in order to complete the application, which means council will not have a chance to hear from the property owner, ask questions, or register its concerns before the application is decided.

"You have to remember that it's legal. It's legal and just because we don't like doesn't make it any less legal at the provincial level," said Moffatt. "It's a terrible feeling to feel so powerless on behalf of people who are so concerned."

New fire trucks set to roll into Algonquin Highlands this winter

Council gave approval for the purchase of two new fire trucks.

The trucks will be replacements for Unit 1 and the tanker truck, which are aging and no longer meet the needs of

the municipality, according to a report by fire chief Mike Cavanagh.

A request for proposals on the units closed June 26, with the winning bids for the trucks going to Eastway 911 for a total cost of \$369,000. That amount is \$119,000 over the \$250,000 budgeted by council for the capital expenditure.

Cavanagh said the proposals came in over budget due to the weak Canadian dollar and the cost of materials.

The township will pay for the overage by drawing on reserves, using \$22,000 deferred from a previously budgeted-for repeater, and \$5,000 from the sale of surplus vehicle.

"There's fluctuations too depending on, sadly, MTO transfer for motor vehicle accidents," said Moffatt. "Other people's loss can be our financial gain, which is tremendously unfortunate, but it is what it is."

Eastway 911 has promised a delivery date of December, according to Cavanagh, but depending on several factors, delivery may not occur until January.

Councillors expressed a hope the company could stick to the earlier timeline, so the full payment for the trucks could be accounted for in the 2015 budget.

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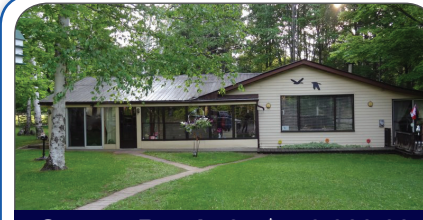


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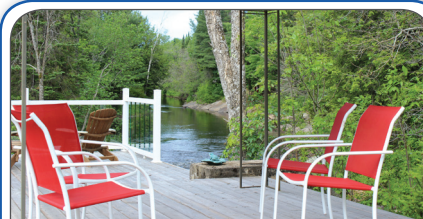


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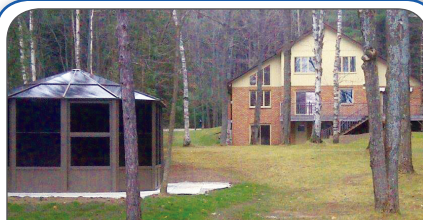
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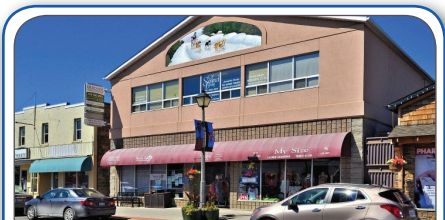
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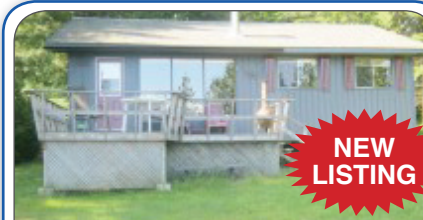
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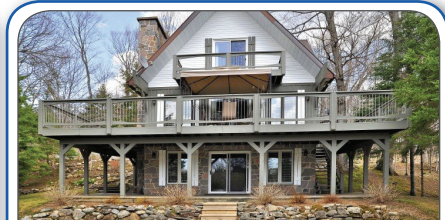


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THIS HAS BEEN a week to make Minden proud. In the last several weeks leading up to the Pan Am games, as the training began and the bleachers rose up along the river, there was a different feeling in town.

A strange mix of anticipation, excitement, and hesitation.

They were coming, but how would we measure up?

We couldn't wait, but what would the world think?

The verdict is in, and as we opened our doors to the world, welcoming the games to our

tiny piece of paradise, there was one word I kept hearing over and over again – “best.”

Competitors and spectators alike got a taste of what was consistently referred to as some of the best whitewater in the world.

A gem hidden among a beautiful canopy of trees, we got to share the incredible experience of careening down the Gull River with 41 different countries, to nothing but praise.

Not ones to shirk a challenge, we showed that Canadians could be the best in this tough sport too.

With four medals in five events – one gold, a silver, and two bronze – our athletes showed us how to compete with style, grace

and humility.

Away from the venue we were “the best” too.

The best views, the nicest people, and, of course, the best ice cream.

The packed businesses and busy streets told a story of fun and festivities.

Now one I spoke to had a bad thing to say.

Now that it's over we're all taking a moment to catch our breath and assess the after effects.

Speaking to business owners and residents this week, I got the sense we're trying to decide what this means for us

now that it's finished.

Will it bring more tourists?

Maybe it will mean more events?

While it's important to think about what's coming next, taking this incredible opportunity and running with it, assuring ourselves that bigger things await, we shouldn't let the moment slip through our fingers.

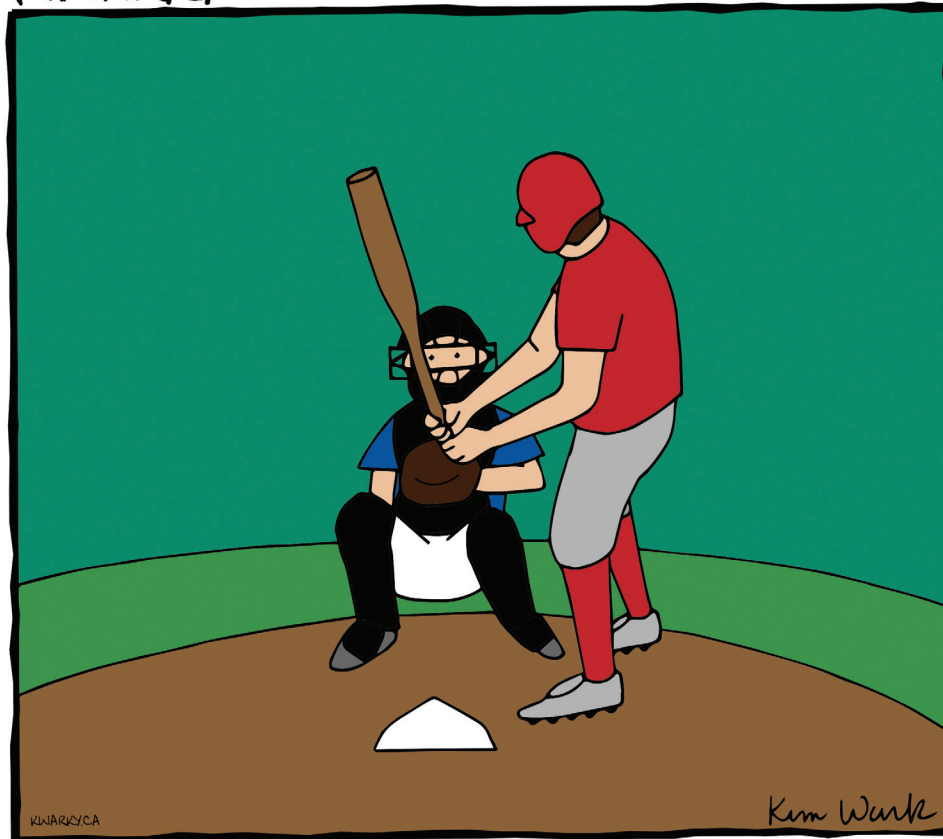
This moment, right now, is just as important as watching our paddlers receive a medal or smiling as the street filled up with enthused volunteers in bright orange shirts.

It's a moment for reflection, for fond memories, and especially for pride.



ELIZABETH BATE
Reporter

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“MOST UNUSUAL STANCE: LEFTY BATTING BACKWARDS.”

The world's oldest joke

EVERY NOW and again some television show or website purports to describe the world's oldest joke, which, contrary to popular belief, is neither Donald Trump nor the knock-knock joke.

I have given this a lot of thought lately and yesterday evening I finally made a breakthrough.

First, I listed the conditions that would be required. The world's oldest joke, I reasoned, would not be too complex. It would also have to be easy to tell around a campfire or in the darkness of a cave at night.

Moreover, it would deal with a universal situation we could all relate to. And, like all humour, should entail some element of surprise.

Basically, the world's oldest joke would blame some innocent for a fart.

This occurred to me as I looked at my daughter and pointed to one of the cats. Mark my words, my daughter will laugh about this one day, probably long after the teenaged years have passed.

Teenagers and other civilized humans try to be so sophisticated. Part of that means they pretend this old joke is immature and not funny. Of course, they're just fooling themselves.

There's a reason this joke has survived countless millennia. It's got it all – pathos, drama, joy, freedom of expression, a common experience, a surprise ending and ridiculously funny noises.

Not to brag, but I believe I could teach a university course on the nuances of this gag. And I don't use the term gag lightly.

For instance, there are a few fundamentals that enhance the joke.

It's standard fare to blame it on a baby, pet or some other innocent that can't deny

culpability. But I'm here to tell you that it's much funnier if the flatulence is extremely loud and prolonged.

This leads us to another rule of thumb. The louder the sound the more demure the person or creature you blame it on. I once saw a guy unleash what can only be described in technical terms as “a beauty.” He then blamed it on a nearby guinea pig. This was hilarious, especially when combined with the cute twitching nose. But enough about my part.

Another standard rule is the louder the toot, the funnier it is to blame it on a lady. I don't mean any female – I mean a real feminine lady who is demure, mannerly and the last person in the world you would associate with such an untoward public display. If she were royalty of some sort, so much the better.

I believe this is just one more reason I'll never be knighted.

Then there are special considerations. A crowded elevator is nice but contains several potentially socially awkward scenarios. That's why I prefer black tie events.

The point here is that this old joke has legs and a lot of options. It's been a crowd pleaser since the first Neanderthal held his nose and pointed to the T-rex with watery eyes that was looming over his shoulder.

It works anywhere more than two people gather. You can also execute it with just two people providing you have a pet to blame it on. If not, you need to be an extremely convincing salesperson.

Simply put, it has made immature people laugh for countless years. Unless one of them is a teenager, of course.



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Whither the Birds?

DELICIOUS LITTLE WILD STRAWBERRIES grow in a sandy patch of soil in the woods where I walk. The birds usually snatch them before I get a chance, but this year they are all mine.

Across the lake a friend notes that the red currants on her bushes have ripened but have yet to attract any birds.

The woods seem quieter this year. The gulls, whose numbers grow each year, continue to complain as they circle the lake. But within the trees there is less flickering of wings and only occasional bird song.

Where are all the birds?

We once were visited by squadrons of birds, either locals or transients just passing through. Almost daily we were amused by the antics of the nuthatches as they walked the trunks of trees upside down. Grosbeaks and finches added colour to our dull days.

There was always noise in the trees around us. Scolding from the blue jays. The dee, dee, dee calls of the chickadees. The morning and evening moaning of the doves. And, of course, the non-stop warbling of the vireo that decided that the best place to sing at dawn was outside my bedroom window.

We don't feed the birds like we used to and perhaps that's why I don't see or hear as many. Rampaging bears smashed most of our birdfeeders a couple of years back and I haven't got around to replacing them.



JIM POLING SR.
From Shaman's Rock

However, there is little doubt that bird populations everywhere have declined and continue to decline. Birds are among the most studied critters on earth and any of the many reports about them do not make for happy reading. Losses over the last 40 years are in the billions.

Our birds are dying off for many reasons. Habitat loss is the main one. When we cut down a patch of woods to put up a shopping mall, we eliminate the homes of thousands of birds. When we slash and

burn tropical forests for plantations we eliminate the habitat of many of the migratory birds that spend summers with us.

New reports show that the increasing number of wind turbines are killing hundreds of thousands of birds. There are many other obstructions, however. Millions of birds in North America die each year after crashing into communications towers, the plate glass on high-rise buildings, power lines and guy wires.

Now there are studies claiming that cats kill billions of birds. The U.S. 2014 State of the Birds report claims that domestic cats kill 2.4 billion birds every year in the United States and 196 million in Canada.

Yes, cats do indeed kill birds, but by the billions?

It's difficult to put much faith in many of the statistics now tossed around about bird losses. We have to suspect everything we read because we live in a marketing society drifting into the Donald Trump School of Communication.

But exact numbers do not really matter. Throughout the world our birds are disappearing. Martha, the world's last known passenger pigeon, died 101 years ago. She was one of 100 species of birds that have become extinct in the last 400 years.

The watch list of birds nearing extinction continues to grow. About 1,200 bird species, roughly 12 per cent of all bird species, are endangered, threatened or vulnerable, says the environmental group Endangered Species International.

When birds disappear so do other things. Some birds are important pollinators. Some are seed dispersers important to plant reproduction. Woodpeckers, for instance, pound at trees and create cavities that are important to insects and other living things.

When birds disappear so do some flowers and plants and insects. It's a chain that when broken changes our world, sometimes in tiny ways, sometimes in large, critical ways.

But for all the studies and reports on what is making the birds disappear, one thing is definite. Almost everything that is killing the birds is created by human beings.

When we walk into the woods and notice fewer flickering wings and less birdsong, we have to ask ourselves if there are ways that we can be living differently.

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letters to the editor

Reconsider weir proposal

To the Editor,

A public meeting was held July 4 at Stanhope Firefighters' Hall regarding the weir project near the bridge at St. Peter's Road, Maple Lake. I understand the purpose of this weir is to assist in maintaining a more consistent lake level benefiting waterfowl, homeowners, fish habitat and shoreline maintenance.

There are other weirs in the area that have proven to be beneficial to their immediate area.

Should we not be working towards maintaining the beauty and health of Algonquin Highlands? It is disappointing and discouraging to hear that our elected council officials, who are supposed to represent the people, publicly state "they are not interested" in supporting or listening to a committee seeking to maintain a healthy environment for the present and future generations.

Lynda Campagnolo

This Week In...

Every week, the *Times* will take a look at what happened in Minden 10 years before, in 2005, and 25 years before, in 1990.

From the July 22, 2005 issue:

Lou Consky, owner of Haliburton's Molou Theatre and Minden's Beaver Theatre, hoped to have the Beaver reopened in time for the weekend. Consky was having difficulty getting a new part for his projectors, after changes were made to the type of film studios were releasing movies on. Consky's projectors were able to show images, but not produce sound. The Beaver Theatre reopened briefly in 2009 as a live venue but today sits unused, with a legal battle ongoing between its owner and contractors.

Bell Mobility's plans to install a 150-foot

cellphone tower near Oxtongue Lake are met with strong opposition by residents, some of them hiring legal representation.

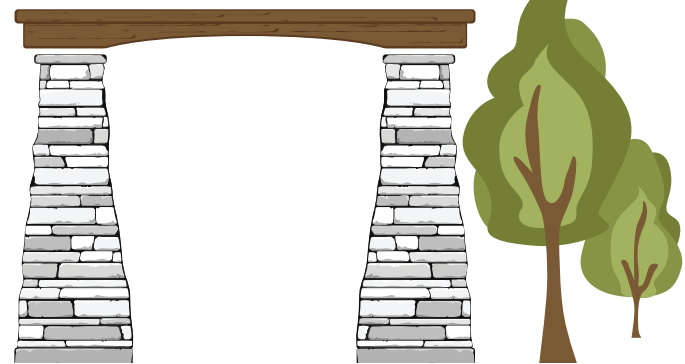
From the July 23, 1990 issue:

Norland residents gear up for a fight to save their post office after Canada Post announced plans to close it. The post office had been operating for less than a decade. The move was part of the federal government's plan to close, privatize or amalgamate some 5,200 post offices across the country.

Residents of Snowdon township protest plans for group home to be constructed on South Lake Road. There were fears a group home in the neighbourhood would make homes targets for vandalism and thievery.

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Connecting with the past in Stanhope

Six-year-old Freyja Neimann-Rowe cranks the fan mill, which is a machine that separates the weed seeds from the grain, at the 13th annual Stanhope Heritage Day.

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Local musician Sheri Hawkins sings with The Cleverly Hillbillyz band.

Carnarvon resident and painting class instructor at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre Harvey J. Walker demonstrates his technique.



Antique cars lined both sides of the main entrance.



Minden's Bev Barlow demonstrates how to use the triangle shawl loom in the Haliburton Highlands Handweavers and Spinners Guild tent at the 13th annual Stanhope Heritage Day on the grounds of the Stanhope Museum on Saturday, July 18 in Stanhope. The celebration of heritage event drew hundreds and included close to 30 vendors and presenters from rug hookers to printing press operators.

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River advocates not sold on hydro proposal

by ELIZABETH BATE
Times Staff

Not everyone was happy to see Orillia Power in Minden July 16.

In the second public meeting of the week for a large renewable procurement energy project, the company laid out plans for a new hydro electric plant it is applying to build under the provincial process for acquiring more green energy sources.

The proposed project will generate up to 3.5 megawatts of power, with a capacity to power up to 1,500 homes in a year.

Located on the Gull River south of the existing dam and Bethel Road, and covering much of the Minden Wild Water Preserve, the proposed 656 foot above ground canal and 1,083 foot underground penstock, may draw from the grid in the same place as another project proposed earlier in the week by Algonquin Power.

The Algonquin Power site, proposed for 250 acres north-east of the Preserve is also being considered in applications closing Sept. 1.

Troy Mannell, manager of generation projects for Orillia Power, said assessing the compatibility of each project with each other and the grid is part of the application process.

"Part of the competitive process is evaluating the capacity," he said.

Should the International Electricity System Operator determine that the grid near the proposed sites is unable to handle the capacity of both, approval could be denied for at least one of the projects.

Capacity was just one concern at the Minden Hills offices, as more than 70 people packed into the council chambers to have their questions about the project answered.

Although Orillia Power is working with Whitewater Ontario, which owns part of the proposed site, the location is sparking concerns from local kayakers and businesses.

John Mason, a whitewater kayaker, Whitewater Ontario

volunteer, and owner of Mountain Surf a whitewater gear company, has been kayaking on the Gull River since 1974. He said he is concerned about the effect the generation station will have on the quality of the water.

"This section of the Gull River is arguably the finest facility of its type in the world," said Mason. "All this is going to do is suck the water out of the river."

Mason was concerned about a change to the quality of kayaking the new facility might have and the impact a change in the nature of the water might have on tourism.

"Ontario paddlers, they're people that come spend a week-end several times a year. This is the only source of this type in Ontario," he said.

Chris Varga, manager of Boatwerks in Minden, attended the event to address concerns about how the project might affect business. Boatwerks runs classes for kayakers on the part of the Gull River Orillia Power is proposing to use.

"For instance, I'm wondering about build time," Varga said.

He was told the project is estimated to take a portion of one season to build, with the hope that most of it could be completed in the spring or fall, so as not to impact tourism.

Varga said he went to the meeting with the intent of gathering information and opinions, because he is new to the area and the whitewater industry.

"I'm a fly on the wall," he said. "These folks [Whitewater Ontario] have 10 times the knowledge that I do."

Listening to the discussion Varga heard serious concerns about the water levels from long-time kayakers.

"Shallow water can be very dangerous," he said. "Not everyone's on the same page."

Mannell said both kayakers and those concerned about water level could rest easy, as the aim is to balance the use of the facility with the use of the water by Whitewater Ontario, running the generation station off peak period, and controlling the water flow so there is the same amount of water going out of the station as being pumped in, and travelling at the same speeds.

"That's absolute hogwash," said Mason. "There's only so much river that comes out of the dam. The question is, how much of that water are they going to take?"

Art Krause, communications rep for Orillia Power, said the project hinges on approval from Whitewater Ontario, who are in deep negotiations with Orillia Power to try to come to an agreement on how the project can proceed while balancing the concerns of all parties.

"If we can't get them onside, this project is dead," he said.

As a committee member of Whitewater Ontario, Mason said he has not yet seen a satisfying proposal.

"The proposal they've made to us is unacceptable. This is my life and my business," he said. "I'm a proponent of green energy, but this is a bad deal."

In addition to water quality concerns, Mason had questions about the impact the new generation station would have on wildlife, specifically the trout population in the river. He voiced concerns the fish could get caught in the equipment or swim into the pipelines, killing the fish and causing damage to equipment.

Mannell spoke to the concern saying studies indicate that fish naturally avoid the intakes of generating stations.

"Fish don't naturally try to swim into dark holes with a changing velocity," he said. "Fish do survive, but they're a little dizzy."

Varga liked the meeting setup, saying the representatives were helpful and interested in answering questions, but was still cautious.

"For our rental program, from what they described, I was somewhat appeased," he said. "They seem like human beings, and that's good, but at the end of the day there's a company behind that."

LRP applications are due Sept. 1 and Mannell says the company is hoping to hear back by January. If approved, the project is estimated to take another 2.5 years before it is completed and online.

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Council to hold public meeting on renewable energy

by JENN WATT
Editor

Minden Hills council voted last week to begin planning and advertising a public meeting on renewable energy following a recommendation from the planning and development committee.

"We wanted to make sure that we as a community have some input in the direction and we're not just following some of these actions coming forward," said Councillor Pam Sayne, referencing the flood of renewable energy projects

that have come to the council table of late for endorsement.

Sayne said there were misconceptions about the municipality's role in the approval process for renewable projects, but also that the committee wanted to look at renewables more generally.

She said some people are now living off-grid and it would be useful to connect those people to have discussions about the issues they're dealing with.

"Maybe from that public forum create a taskforce under the planning and development committee," she said.

Councillor Jeanne Anthon said this was an opportunity for Minden Hills to set an example for the rest of the county by

"looking at the larger picture."

Reeve Brent Devolin said not only should the community be looking at the issues around renewables, it might also consider the opportunities.

"Whether as a municipality we wish to be a player; to invest in it and reap the profits and rewards for our ratepayers," he said, giving Orillia Power Generation, owned by the city of Orillia, as an example.

"Certainly this is the beginning of a long-term discussion," he said.

While it is a Minden Hills meeting, residents and representatives from the rest of the county will be welcome to attend.

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Horticulture society wins awards

On Friday through Sunday, July 3, 4 and 5, there was a huge gathering of gardeners from all over Ontario for the 109th Ontario Horticultural Association convention at the beautiful campus of Redeemer University College in Ancaster, near Hamilton.

Most of the delegates came to the convention from the 282 horticultural societies and garden clubs across Ontario and that includes our local society, the Minden and District Horticultural Society.

It was an exciting convention for our society as we were the recipients of many awards. Our 2015 yearbook won first place in the yearbook category and our cover placed second for computer design. Our 2014 annual flower show flyer won best in show. One of our members, Rose Paliwoda, made us all very proud, returning home with two first place and two third place finishes as well as an honorable mention. In total, eight of our members attended the annual convention in representation of our society.

The theme for the convention was Summer in the Southern Tier, as this was the first time in a long time that the convention was held in the Hamilton, southern Ontario area. Opening ceremonies with a number of dignitaries were on Friday at 9 a.m. and a beautiful 20-foot red oak was the star of the convention tree planting at 3 p.m. by Jeff Blackadar, president of the OHA.

As the OHA is a volunteer, charitable organization, the conventions are totally organized and run by volunteers. Over 150 local volunteers from the OHA's Carolinian District Six (which covers Brant, Halton, Norfolk, Wentworth, and Hamilton) worked for months to make this convention one of the best ever.

One of the highlights of the convention was the horticulture and design competition. There were all kinds of fun activities such as geocaching, live entertainment with "Sterling" and bus trips including Dundurn Castle, the Royal Botanical Gardens, local Flamborough gardens and Whistling Gardens.

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Owen, left, and Callum get ready to paddle for Make it Minden on July 15.



Make It Minden goes kayaking

Paige Zimmerman, 9, gets a taste of kayaking on the Gull River with Make it Minden on July 15.



Kayakers got to try a hand at paddling the Gull River on July 15 as part of Make it Minden. The weekly event paired with Boatwerks, owned by Algonquin Outfitters, to offer free instruction to novice paddlers. ELIZABETH BATE staff

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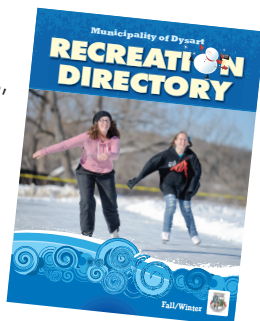


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OPP investigate theft of travel trailers

Members from the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police want to remind the public to protect their property and valuables against would-be thieves after receiving several reports of thefts of travel trailers in Minden Hills.

On June 26, police were contacted regarding the theft of a travel trailer from an address on Embassy Drive.

Sometime between June 12 and 26, unknown person(s) attended the address and proceeded to remove the trailer that was parked on the property.

The trailer is described as a white 18-foot 2012 Jayflight trailer with Ontario licence plate J6038F.

On July 17, police were contacted regarding the theft of a travel trailer from an address

on Bobcaygeon Road.

Sometime between July 1 and 17, unknown person(s) attended the address and proceeded to remove the trailer that was parked on the property.

The trailer is described as a white 2014 26-foot Trailrunner with Ontario licence plate L1799S.

Anyone having information on these

crimes or any others is asked to contact the Haliburton Highlands OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Anonymous information can also be reported to Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at www.khcs.ca, where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

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Float trailer stolen from Cty Rd 503 residence

On June 13, Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police were contacted regarding the theft of a float trailer from an address on County Road 503 in Township of Minden Hills.

Sometime between June 12 and 13 unknown person(s) attended the address and proceeded to remove the trailer that was parked along a tree line by the river that was well off the roadway.

The trailer is described as a hand-made

1989 20-foot float trailer with an Ontario licence plate L96499.

Anyone having information on this crime or any others is asked to contact the Haliburton Highlands OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Anonymous information can also be reported to Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at www.khcs.ca, where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

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Home invasion leads to road closure

by ELIZABETH BATE
Times Staff

A man is dead after a home invasion in the early hours of July 15 on Fall's Bay Road near Bobcaygeon.

City of Kawartha Lakes OPP say they are investigating the death of an armed intruder to a Fall's Bay residence while the owner was at home.

The incident was reported at 4:20 a.m. on July 15. Dead is 43-year-old Robert Leslie

Martin of Spruce Grove, Alta., after what police are calling a brief interaction with the owner of the home.

A car that police say is part of the investigation was the cause of a road closure on Highway 35 from north of Halls Lake to Kushog Lake Road until 4 p.m., diverting all traffic for most of the day.

An autopsy was performed on the victim in Toronto July 17. OPP say they are not releasing further information as the investigation is on going.

Fraud cases continue to be reported in the Highlands

by ELIZABETH BATE
Times Staff

Sharon Briscoe and her husband received a troubling phone call last week.

In the continuation of a story reported in the *Haliburton Echo* on June 23, the Koshlong Lake residents were called by a man claiming to be a representative of the Canadian

Revenue Agency and told they owed \$1,700 in back taxes. The caller insisted the money be paid immediately by credit card.

Briscoe recognized the call as a scam, and immediately reported it to the police.

OPP and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre are aware of the calls received by several Highlands residents and other areas nationwide, and are issuing a reminder that the CRA will send a letter to indicate if money is

owed, but will never send an email or make a phone call demanding immediate payment.

Briscoe said the call she received appeared to be from an Ottawa area number, however police say this can be an illusion created by technology which allows callers to spoof or copy a phone number.

Although Briscoe was able to detect the fraud attempt, she says she worries about area seniors and others who cannot afford to

lose money in a scam.

"In a small community like this people need to know," she said. "What I'm concerned about is older people who maybe don't have kids and are afraid."

Suspicious calls can be reported to the local OPP detachment or the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at 1-888-495-8501.

Thieves take boat and motor from Maple Lake

On July 16, Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police were contacted regarding the theft of a boat and motor from an address on Canopy Lane in Algonquin Highlands.

Sometime between July 13 and 16, unknown person(s) removed a 1990 blue 14-foot Princecraft boat with a 15hp Mercury motor that was docked on Maple Lake. The registration number on the vessel is

30E16854.

Anyone having information on this crime or any others is asked to contact the Haliburton Highlands OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Anonymous information can also be reported to Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at www.khcs.ca, where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.



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Christmas in JULY

Positive reviews in Minden follow Games

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ers sold a lot of town pride in addition to ice cream and Pan Am merchandise, and thinks the event will bring a new kind of tourist to the area.

"I think people will want to see where they [the athletes] played," she said.

Shawn Chamberlin, operator of the Dominion Hotel, was pleased to host volunteers, guests, and even some of the athletes for the weekend.

"We had some of the competitors here. They were very excited. They were excited about the town," he said.

Chamberlin said he was concerned the town could be doing too much in one weekend with Pan Am festivities and the Bluegrass Festival scheduled at the same time, but he was ecstatic to see both go off without a hitch.

"I think the organizers did us proud," he said. "This is a huge, huge, kudos for the community."

Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin saw the effort that went into preparing for the games months in advance.

"It was a lot of work leading up to it but it went off seamlessly. I think it's given the

profile and presence to the venue that it deserves," he said. "We did it with flying colours. I'm over the moon."

Devolin, who got to present the medals for one of the slalom events, saw this as an opportunity to show off a unique feature of Minden Hills, one of the best natural whitewater courses in the world.

"I don't think people in Ontario knew it existed before," he said. "This will encourage them to come back."

Devolin said he was impressed the organizers were able to leave the natural beauty of the preserve intact while setting up the viewing area for the day's events, noting that almost no trees were cut down to make room for the bleachers, which went up "like lego," assembled piece by piece.

The reeve said the athletes put on a good show for spectators at the 440 capacity venue, and he was excited to be a part of the ceremonies.

"I was tickled pink to say the least."

Canada took four medals at the event, two bronze, a silver, and a gold. Devolin presented the medals for the only whitewater event Canadians didn't make the podium in: the two-man canoe.

While much of the focus was on the event itself, Chamberlin was happy to see the orange shirts of volunteers spending money in town as well.

"The fact that they're around is a feather in our cap too," he said. "It was a weekend full of entertainment."

Chamberlin found comments from guests to be encouraging, and indicative of a new awareness of the vacation and recreation possibilities in and around Minden.

"The comments I heard was 'this is paradise,'" he said.

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I think the organizers did us proud. This is a huge, huge kudos for the community.

— SHAWN CHAMBERLIN
OWNER, DOMINION HOTEL

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Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin, left, was a regular visitor to the Pan Am Games canoe/kayak slalom event this past weekend at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. Devolin visited both days, cheering with hundreds in support of all paddlers and the Canadian team, who won four medals./DARREN LUM Staff

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Hundreds of spectators with photographers, team coaches, waiting competitors and gate judges lined the rocky shore of the starting area for the Pan Am Games canoe/kayak slalom event this past weekend at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. The Canadian white water team won four medals, including a gold medal for women's K1 competitor Jazmyne Denhollander./DARREN LUM Staff

Pan Am Games at Gull River inspires

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The Pan Am Games will continue for a few more days, but for Minden it is all over.

For some the canoe/kayak slalom event from Saturday to Sunday hosted by the Minden Wild Water Preserve on the Gull River located beside the Horseshoe Lake Road was an inconvenience – this event also included a canoe/kayak slalom Olympic qualifier event for the Americas and a preceding week of training.

However for others it will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience never forgotten.

Late in the day, British Columbia's Jazmyne Denhollander earned an Olympic spot (first place finishes in each event earned an Olympic berth) for Canada's national whitewater team as she came through with a golden performance, winning the women's K1 (kayak singles) with a time of 97.92 seconds. She narrowly beat out Brazil's Ana Satila by only one hundredth of a second.

"Those are the most exciting races where it's just so close. Just a hair ... it was really exciting to see my other competitors come down and to see that I was still on top," she said in an interview with CBC.

The top three, which included bronze medallist Ashley Nee of the United States, were separated by three one hundredths. Coming into the Pan Am Games, Denhollander was ranked 74 while Satila was 31 and Nee 55.

A flash thunderstorm on Sunday momentarily left people running for shelter, which suspended the entire event.

Denhollander said she used the time to think about the run more and decided to take more risks.

Dunrobin's Cameron Smedley, who usually puts on a game face for competition, told the CBC he was overcome with emotion as the crowd roared for him, as he couldn't hold back a smile as he approached the start to his final race.

He added the experience was amazing and surreal, being able to win a silver medal in the men's C1 (canoe single) "on our home course" in front of hundreds of Canadians that included friends and family.

Bronze medallist in the men's K1 (kayak single), Ben Hayward of Edmonton said his Pan Am Games experience is "bittersweet" because of how close he was to winning gold, which would have secured an Olympic spot for his country.

"Ultimately I'm thrilled to be one of the first Canadians to

see HOME page 15



Chilliwack's Jazmyne Denhollander (seen here in training earlier in the week) led the Canadian whitewater team with a Pan Am Games gold medal this past weekend at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. Denhollander edged out her nearest competitor Ana Satila of Brazil by 0.02 seconds./DARREN LUM Staff



Calgary's Haley Daniels (seen here during training) won Pan Am Games bronze in the women's C1 (canoe singles) this past weekend at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. There were close to 500 spectators at the event that also included kayak singles for men and women and canoe doubles for men. See more photos on pages 16 and 17./DARREN LUM Staff

Home course advantage enriches athletes' experience

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ever win a medal in my sport at the Pan Ams and to set the fastest time of the weekend in my semis run. I knew I was fast enough to win, but a small mistake cost me the gold in the finals," he wrote in an email.

He came into the final race with the fastest time of the weekend from the semi-finals.

"The Pan Ams in Minden has been the most surreal experience of my athletic career. I really appreciate the amazing energy and support that came from the local community. Even though I'm from Edmonton, I really felt completely at home. It was incredibly heartening to get to speak to some of the fans and see how excited they were for us," he said. "Even though I was disappointed in my performance, the crowd was still so excited for my bronze which really helped me bounce back to feel proud of my result. I'd really like to thank everyone who came out to support us."

Although the Olympics has not yet included women's C1 (canoe singles), the showcase of talent and skill by the competitors such as bronze medalist Haley Daniels of Calgary gives reason for hope that that will change.

This was the first year C1 (canoe singles) was added to the Pan Am Games roster of events.

Before the weekend, Daniels said she appreciated and loved the support she and the other whitewater members received in Minden.

"It has been absolutely amazing the support we have had from our fellow Canadians. During our stay here in the Minden area we have had an overwhelming amount of people wishing us good luck and also thanking us for representing our country," she wrote in an email. "One lady the other day even said she has been inspired by our ambition and has vowed to live a healthier lifestyle. These Pan Am Games are especially special to me as they are in our home country, not only in the first time that women's canoe will be in a multi-level sporting games, this is also the first time that canoe slalom has been added to the Pan Am Games. Just knowing that your entire country has your back is amazing. We often compete in Europe where the only cheer squad we have is our teammates and few family members who have made it overseas. I am excited to hear the roar from the Canadians that will be in the stands. I hope it will just give me more motivation to go faster down the river."

For complete results see <http://results.toronto2015.org/IRS/en/canoeing-slalom/schedule-and-results.htm>.



Spectators take a photo of themselves in front of the Toronto 2015 sign outside the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena this past weekend in Minden before taking the shuttle bus to the Pan Am Games canoe/kayak slalom venue at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. The venue had a capacity of 441 people./DARREN LUM Staff



From top, American paddler Sage Donnelly, 14, looks to make the final gate to her Olympic qualifying race in the Pan Am Championship, which was run concurrently with the Pan Am Games.

Top right, American paddler Michal Smolen won gold in K1(kayak single) finals. Middle right, the C2 (canoe doubles) team of Ben Hayward and Cameron Smedley of Canada drive to the next gate. They did not make the final.

Right, gold medal winner Casey Eichfeld of the U.S.

Above, Brazil's Ana Satila shows winning form during training, as she won silver in K1 and a gold in women's C1 (canoe single).



Left, Dunrobin's Cameron Smedley eyes up a gate before making his turn upriver on his way to Pan Am Games silver in the men's C1 (canoe single).

Below, Edmonton's Ben Hayward drives his way through the final gate on his way to Pan Am Games bronze in the men's K1 (kayak singles).

Bottom left, Brazil's Pedro Da Silva pulls his boat around an upriver gate on his way to a Pan Am Games silver medal. The Brazilian whitewater team won five medals.

Middle left, Canadian Olympic hopeful Jessica Groeneveld steers back for the final gate to her qualifying race in the Pan Am Championship this past weekend at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. The championship was run concurrently with the Pan Am Games.



Photos by Darren Lum

Preserve transformed by world event

by JENN WATT
Editor

Perched on a moss-covered rock on the edge of the Gull River I ate my lunch staring into the Wild Water Preserve. The air had the fresh wet smell that comes from churning water and the sweetness of pine needles. A dark purple damselfly landed on my arm for a rest, then floated away. In some ways it could have been any day at the Preserve – the rocks and the water, the shade of the trees and the fantastic outdoors aroma overpowering – but a look around and it was unmistakably something special.

On July 18 and 19, the Pan Am Games took over the white-water course and brought with it an instant village along the riverside complete with tents, food, washrooms, water, security, sound system and a bevy of international athletes walking barefoot on the soft paths.

At the bottom of the course, new temporary spectator stands have been erected, painted swimming-pool blue, lined with 15 fluttering flags. Official looking men and women dressed in grey shirts are positioned along the rocks, taking notes and making signals as the first paddlers of Day 1 make their way



Volunteer Joleen Thomas of Carnarvon speaks with other volunteers, which numbered 170, while waiting for the start to the Pan Am Games canoe/kayak slalom event this past weekend at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. DARRIN LUM Staff

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down the course.

This is where the races end and is the most ceremonial looking space along the river. The commentators have a tent here and over loud speakers a woman and man chat about kayaking, noting the “vertical placement of the stroke,” or with how much finesse the athlete has negotiated a particularly difficult current.

It becomes clear early on that Canada has a good chance to bring home medals in this event. In each heat, men and women are solidly in the middle (at least) of the pack in the K1 (one-man or one-woman kayak), C1 (canoe) or C2 (two-man canoe). The latter is particularly interesting with two men cramming into a small boat, morphing into something akin to a two-torsoed water creature surging along the waves, cutting across the shining green water and, incredibly, pushing back up the river through red-striped gates.

Brazilians sail by, the mostly Canadian crowd cheers. Americans: more cheers. Canadians: an eruption of sound.

Day 1 and 2 both have lengthy breaks between events and in that time I saunter from one area to the other. Most places are filled with the scent of pulled pork as plumes of smoke come out of the Wintergreen food tent. Outside water and any other food and beverages were prohibited, but once you arrive, a large water-bottle refilling station offers the opportunity to stay hydrated. Despite the availability of water, on Day 1, I end up dehydrated anyway, standing on rocks or in stands in the sun, caught up in the excitement of watching the incredible artistry of the paddler as she makes her way first through one gate, then back up the river to the next.

While the crowds were encouraging of all athletes, cheers came loudest for Canadian athletes.

“There’s Canada,” one spectator says from the first viewing point at the top of the river. She’s pointing to kayaker Ben Hayward.

All around are patriotic sports fans. Some have flags in their hair. Two men walk by with matching red Canada cowboy hats.

If you stand in any one place long enough, an athlete will walk by. Often right off the course, still sporting the spray skirts and helmets.

Pan Am volunteer Ian Edward is a paddler himself. He lives in Ajax, but says he grew up in the Minden area, attending Camp Kandalore in summers.

Athletes aren’t segregated in the canoe/kayak slalom like they are in other sports, he said, giving the venue a relaxed, congenial feeling.

You get the sense you could walk up and chat with any of the athletes throughout the two days.

Carnarvon area cottager Tammy Hemphill worked on the transportation crew for Pan Am at the Preserve. The competition is the most whitewater kayaking she’s ever watched in her life and she said she wouldn’t hesitate to volunteer again if another experience like this one came up.

Over the four days that she volunteered, she came to better appreciate the speed of the sport and the strength of the athletes. In particular, the Argentinian team of Sebastian and Lucas Rossi, who ended up taking the bronze in two-man canoe slalom.

“They were very passionate and interested in the formation of the site,” Hemphill said.

For some athletes, the Wild Water Preserve was one of the first times they had navigated a natural course in international competition. For the most part, canoe/kayak slalom events happen on artificial courses.

“The course is a little dangerous and hard,” Mexican kayaker Sofia Reinoso told commentators after she completed her run on Sunday. But it was fun, she added. Reinoso placed fifth in K1, the competition that Canadian Jazmyne Denhollander would win.

Despite the abundance of water and shade, it was easy to lose track of time and end up parched and burnt. By the end of Day 2, I was pleasantly exhausted and boarded the bus just before a major, but brief, rainstorm rushed over the venue.

Surely for logistical purposes, the buses didn’t turn around on Horseshoe Lake Road, instead travelling its length back to Highway 35. As the bus shimmied and rattled along the road, the passengers mostly sat quietly in their seats. We were sweaty and hot, tired and hungry, with smiles on our faces.

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County card scores



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Due to space restrictions the scores for the Monday card events have not been listed regularly of late. This week they will appear out of order at the top of the listing to catch up .

July 20 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Marion Stickwood and Yvonne Arbuthnot with Amy Godden and Mary Trumbull posting the high scores. The afternoon's lows were recorded by Ellen Holden and our reporter Tim Sharpe with Kay Godden holding the hidden score. Tim also won the special prize and shared a visit from the skunk with Doreen Powell.

July 20 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: The top trio members were Frank Franzen 286, Dorothy McElwain 239 and our reporter Rose Isaacson 220. Diane Wigley won the draw while Gala Newell and Frank Franzen took the moonshots.

July 20 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Sherin Brown reports that Shirley Howe won for high hands, Peter O'Reilly for lone hands, Judy for low hands and Pearl Cowen for the special prize.

July 20 euchre at Club 35: Winning for both most lone hands and the baloney was Ron Swanston with Marg Oetelaar and our reporter Jean Dutka recording the high scores while the evening's lows went to Joan Mann and Bud Pipher.

July 14 contract bridge at Stanhope: Top marks went to Ross Davies 6,790, Ross Fletcher 6,470, Art Steed 6,150 and Helen Cassidy 5,130. Margo Davidson our bridge reporter received the Lucky Loonie and there were three Small Slams by Vange Croucher and Nettie Butterworth, Ross Davies and Ross Fletcher and Ross Fletcher partnered with Art Steed.

July 14 contract bridge at Minden United Church: Nancy Ballantyne reports that first at 4,680 was Bob Penfold then Janet Gray 4,520 and Jim Taylor 4,130 with Bob Penfold and Linda Taylor teaming up for a Small Slam.

July 14 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading ladies were Vi Howell 246, Theresa Deak 241, Pearl Cowen 232 and Clare Obdam 231. First for the gents at 234 was Al McMullen followed by Kevin Maloney 228, Albert Foster 227 and Tom Grix 217. Sharron Atkinson won the major draw with Ed Myers, Barb Robitaille and our reporter Betty Wagar claiming the smaller prizes while Vi Howell, Albert Foster, Betty Wagar, Marcel Roussel and Al McMullen [2] took the moonshots. .

July 14 euchre at Lochlin Community Centre: Winning for lone hands was Jim MacPherson with Reta Crofts high lady and Theresa Hymmen low. For the gents Harold Harvie wa high and Ward Hymmen low with Ward also taking the special prize. Reporter Nancy McPherson reminds the next euchre will be July 28th.

July 15 Big Bucks Bid Euchre at Kinmount Legion: Rose Isaacson reports that first at 408 was Rae Dawn Shephard then Wendy 401 and Gala Newell 392.

July 15 bid euchre at Stanhope: Leading the pinks at 281 was Marg Oetelaar then Joy

264 and Joyce De Gasparro 243 while first for the whites at 268 was Glenn Hooper followed by our reporter Linda Lambert 251 and Chris Clarke 247. Joy also took the single moonshot of the evening.

July 15 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South leaders were Muriel McIntosh and Diana Spicer 59 percent, Irena nd Alek Zworski 59 percent and Judy Neimann partnered with Carol McCord 52 percent. East/West honours went to Joan Davies and Dee MacLean 62 percent, Gord Cochrane partnered with Peter O'Connor 54 percent and Dave and Jan Heaven 51 percent.

July 16 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand honours went to Theresa Deak and our reporter Tom Grix with Sharon Jarvis and Doug McIntosh posting the highs. The evening's lows were recorded by Pat McInnis ad Irene McDowell while Muriel McIntosh won the draw and took home on of the other prizes along with Donna Darby, Cheryl O'Dell and Irene McDowell.

July 16 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Leading ladies were Betty Wagar 265, Sharron Atkinson 251, Clare Obdam 245 and Theresa Deak 227. At 243 Ida Young was first for the gents then Kevin Maloney 225, Jesse Barlow 212 and Marcel Roussel 206. Howard Smith held the hidden score and took call 1 with Pat Roussel the card draw winner. Bev Johnson also reports that Ida Young, Sharron Atkinson, Al McMullen, Dwaine Lloyd and Albert Foster had moonshots.

July 17 bid euchre at Club 35: For the pinks Sharron Atkinson led at 328 then Pat Marshall 284 and Linda Voycey 250. First for the blues at 348 was Marion Farr then Marg Oetelaar 292 and Garth Windsor 264 while Al McMullen held the hidden score and our reporter Jean Dutka had the single moonshot.

July 17 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Dorothy and Tom Howat led in North/South at 62 percent then Dee MacLean and Margo Davidson 61 percent and Muriel McIntosh partnered with Ross Davies 56 percent. Tops in East/West were Gord Cochrane and Peter O'Connor 63 percent, Irena and Alek Zworski 56 percent and Joan Davies partnered with Sue Pethick 55 percent.

July 18 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Leading ladies were Karen Chapman 272, Betty Wagar 262, Bev Johnson 259 and Vi Howell 256. First for the gents at 260 was Archie Ross followed by Tom Grix 259, Jesse Barlow 233 and our reporter Albert Foster 218. Dorothy McElwain won the main special prize with Eileen Shepstone, Ron Morrison and Pearl Cowen claiming the smaller ones while Tom Grix, Jason Peacock, Pat Norman a Vi Howell took the moonshots.

July 19 Sunday bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Tied for top marks were Eileen Shapiera and Tom Grix with Clare Obdam third. John Deak held the hidden score and won the draw with Betty Wagar taking the card draw and Vi Howell the call 1. Bev Johnson also reports that moonshots landed on Jesse Barlow, Albert Foster, Diane Wigley, Ida Young, Clare Obdam. Chris Clarke and Jason Peacock [2].

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Jump for joy

Rick Harding jumped off the Minden bridge for the 60th consecutive year on July 15. The 69-year-old former Minden resident says he first jumped off the bridge once he "screwed up the courage" to do it when he was nine, and made a promise to himself that he would keep jumping. This year Harding was surrounded by family, friends, and a film crew making a documentary about someone they said led an interesting life. Harding, a mortgage broker, celebrates every birthday with a bang by doing something outrageous, including dancing on the edge of Victoria Falls. Harding's stories can be heard at rickharding.ca. ELIZABETH BATE staff



Raising money

Marilyn Burrows, left, and Winn Taylor, members of the Minden Health Care Auxiliary, stand outside the Canadian Tire in Minden collecting money for Tag Days. The annual fundraiser was aiming to raise money for a new trauma stretcher for the hospital, and a hot holding tray for food at the Hyland Crest. ELIZABETH BATE staff

Dorset Public School reunion planned for August

DORSET NEWS

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The churches of Dorset are hosting an evening of community prayers and praise every Thursday night this summer at the pavilion in Dorset from 6:30 to 8 p.m. There will be worship and activities for all ages and refreshments will be provided. Each week has a theme; this week is "Love" and July 30 is "Peace." Donations will support the Dorset Health Hub and please bring your own lawn chair. If you would like more information, send an email to lakeofbaysanglican@hotmail.com or lakeofbayspastoralcharge@hotmail.com.

This coming Saturday is another Yoga Dance class at the Dorset Rec Centre with Deb Thoms from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The class starts with a gentle warm up, gradually moving into various forms of dance and ends with relaxation. The class promises to leave you refreshed and balanced and don't we all need that! The cost is \$10 per person and please bring a yoga mat if you have one.

The Dorset Art and Garden Tour is this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, July 25 and 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Be sure to visit the various studios and gardens that will be open (brochures available at local businesses). Several art forms such as oils, watercolours and acrylic paintings, pastels, gouache, pen and ink, wind sculptures, bronze cast sculptures, computer graphics, handcrafted bansuri style flutes, jewelry, stone carvings, pottery, fibre arts and felted items and furniture will be on display and available to purchase. Artists include

Tara Gilchrist, Elizabeth Johnson, Brenda Turnour, Kyal Smith, Kate Weatherell, Lynne Hollingsworth, Carolyn Misener, Christopher Keene, Cirvan Hamilton, Elise Muller, Peter Buwalda, Peter Kourtz and Jill Segal. Bark Nursery will also be selling native plants at the Dorset Community Garden by Elizabeth Johnson's studio. For more information, follow Twitter @DorsetArtTour or on Facebook www.facebook.com/www.DorsetArtandGardenTour

The Dorset Public School Reunion is coming up on Saturday, Aug. 1 to be held at the old school property on Main Street. Meet and greet your old classmates, make new friends and create great memories! BYO lawn chairs, old photos and stories to share. The event is rain or shine and food will be available to purchase on site. Email amstroud@sympatico.ca for more information.

The annual Arts, Crafts and Antiques Show in the Dorset Parkette takes place on Sunday, Aug. 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a wonderful celebration of all that is handmade and beautiful with the addition of unique collectibles. This event showcases hand made goods and collectibles from a variety of artisans and antique dealers from the area. The Dorset Lions Club will also have a bake sale and barbecue at the show. All on the shores of beautiful Little Trading Bay, Lake of Bays, Dorset at Highway 35 between Main Street and the bridge. For more information, visit www.algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968.

Birthday wishes for July 19 to 25 go out to Eve Adkins, Janet Schreiber, John McConkey, Dalton Frecker and Barb Clark. If you have items or birthdays for the Dorset News, please send them along to malfano@hotmail.ca or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

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Highlands hosting military training

Police and the military will be conducting training exercises in the Highlands this week.

From Tuesday, July 21 to Monday, July 27, residents might notice the military at various points around the county.

While there are few public details about

where they are training, a press release says “the training site was carefully selected to minimize negative impact for people living and working in the area.”

Training is not open to the public.



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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday August 10th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- File No. H-018/13
Applicant: Jeffrey Long & Octavia Schulte
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 12, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: grant a right-of-way
- File No. H-023/15
Applicant: Sameh Salib 1681734 Ontario Inc.
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 5 and Closed Rd Allow, Inc 19R-6881 Part 1, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
Nature of the Application: create a new lot
- File No. H-024/15
Applicant: Sameh Salib 1681734 Ontario Inc.
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 5 and Closed Rd Allow, Inc 19R-6881 Part 1, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
Nature of the Application: create a new lot
- File No. H-027/15
Applicant: Lionel & Judith Davis
Location of the Property: Part Lot 10 and 19R-8644 Part 1 & 5 and 19R-5496, Part 1 and Closed Rd Allow Inc 19R-9688, Part 1, Concession 6, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: create a new lot
- File No. H-028/15
Applicant: Jake Lowe
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 1, 19R-9351, Parts 3-9 and 11-13, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: lot addition

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office *by appointment* during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 23rd day of July, 2015

Kent Stainton
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Haliburton County Land Division Committee
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Notice

THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS IN SEASON, EVERY SEASON

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

Municipal Act, 2001, as amended

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS

TAKE NOTICE that tenders are invited for the purchase of the land(s) described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on the 28th day of August, 2015, at the Township Offices, 7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359, Minden, Ontario, K0M 2K0.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at 3:30 p.m. at the Township Offices.

Description of Lands and Minimum Tender Amount:

(Set out the cancellation price as of the first day of advertising)

- PT LT 28-29, CON 6 MINDEN, PT 1 19R1669; MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39192-0074 (LT). Roll # 46 16 031 000 43600.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,713.05
- PT LT 12 CON A ANSON, PT 2 19R1107; MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39195-0187 (LT). Roll # 46 16 010 000 64900.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$4,876.55
- PT LT 9 CON 4 SNOWDON, PT 2 19R1885; MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39214-0108 (LT). Roll # 46 16 041 000 27420.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,159.76
- FIRSTLY: PT LT 20 CON 3 LUTTERWORTH AS IN H256022, T/W H256022; MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39207-0049 (LT). SECONDLY: PT LT 21 CON 3 LUTTERWORTH AS IN H256022; S/T & T/W H256022; MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39206-0219 (LT). Roll # 46 16 051 000 32400.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$8,852.40
- PT LT 25 CON 4 LUTTERWORTH; PT RDAL BTN LT 25 CON 4 & LT 24 CON 5 LUTTERWORTH CLOSED BY H88194, PT 1 19R4210; T/W H164550 EXCEPT THE EASEMENT THEREIN RE: H134068, MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39206-0108 (LT). Roll # 46 16 051 000 42315.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$7,079.95
- PT LT 21 CON 10 MINDEN, PT 6 19R3430; MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39191-0010 (LT). Roll # 46 16 032 000 61520.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$6,241.97
- PT LT 11 CON 2 MINDEN, PT 1 TO 4, 19R9171; S/T MN5430, T/W EASEMENT OVER PT 8 19R9171 AS IN HA10666; S/T EASEMENT OVER PT 2 19R9171 AS IN HA10666; TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39194-0673 (LT). Roll # 46 16 030 000 22700.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$4,964.68
- PT LT 11 CON 2 MINDEN, PT 5 TO 9, 19R9171; T/W EASEMENT OVER PT 2 19R9171 AS IN HA10666; S/T EASEMENT IN GROSS OVER PT 5 & 6 19R9171 AS IN MN5430; S/T EASEMENT OVER PT 8 19R9171 IN FAVOUR OF PT 1 TO 4 19R9171 AS IN HA10666; TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39194-0672 (LT). Roll # 46 16 030 000 22750.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,104.09
- PT LT 21 CON 3 LUTTERWORTH AS IN H259471; T/W H259471 EXCEPT THE EASEMENT THEREIN (FIRSTLY DESCRIBED); MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39206-0215 (LT). Roll # 46 16 051 000 32000.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$8,619.90
- PT RDAL BTN LT 25 AND LT 26 CON 5 SNOWDON CLOSED BY H86837; PT LT 25-26 CON 5 SNOWDON PT 5 AND 6 19R4978; MINDEN HILLS. BEING ALL OF PIN 39222-0120 (LT). Roll # 46 16 041 000 39600.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$24,810.01

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality (or board) and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land(s) to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, and the *Municipal Tax Sales Rules*, as amended, made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and the relevant Land Transfer Tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

Note: H.S.T. may be payable by successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, contact:

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The changing palate of grandson Ben

AROUND THE TOWN

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Here at the old farmhouse grandson Ben and his dad Graeme are enjoying fun at the lake fishing along with trail clearing for the ATV, repainting the aluminum boat and practising their softball skills. Anticipating his arrival we stocked up on Rice Krispies only to find that a steady breakfast diet of this ageless household staple is really not Ben's favourite giving way to newer varieties such as Cap'n Crunch or Froot Loops. He continues to win at every game we play including Scrabble building words that he assures me his teacher says are totally acceptable, however, this cannot be verified as she is reportedly away on holiday out of country and unable to be reached.

The Kinmount Senior Citizens Club will be holding its annual yard sale on Saturday, Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Railway Station area. Tables are available at a cost of \$8 and can be booked by calling Rose Isaacson at 705-286-0365. While there also plan to shop at the Kinmount Farmers' Market and visit the historic Railroad Station and Museum where the model railway retraces its fabled jour-

ney from Kinmount to Haliburton. The Kinmount Artisans Marketplace located on the lower level of the Community Centre will also welcome visitors over this Simcoe Day holiday weekend and is open every day until Thanksgiving from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

August will be a busy month at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount. In addition to ongoing programs there will be the first Family Games Day coming up on Sunday, Aug. 2 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All are welcome to come out to this Carnival Style Games event for both children and adults and try their skill at horseshoes, water balloon toss, ring toss and much more. There will be prizes, a barbecue and music with activities taking place on the outdoor area at the Branch. Tickets will be going on sale soon for the first (hopefully annual) Trivia Night to be held on Saturday, Aug. 29. For a cost of \$20/person there will be a lasagna dinner complete with caesar salad, garlic bread, coffee/tea and dessert followed by a fun evening of trivia with quiz master David McGill with lots of prizes. Regular programs include Big Bucks Bid Euchre on the third Wednesday of the month at 11 a.m., bingo on Friday nights at 6:45 p.m. and much more with details posted on the Facebook page or available by calling the branch at 705-488-3462. In addition the Kinmount seniors hold a potluck lunch and bid euchre upstairs at the branch on Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

Back by popular demand the Crystal Lake Triathlon will be

held on Sunday, Aug. 23 at White's Beach on Crystal Lake. There are two events with a Sprint and Relay Triathlon involving 750 m swim, 20 km bike ride and a 5 km run and a Tri a Tri with a 375 m swim, 10 km bike ride and a 2.5 km run. Email your questions to crystallaketri@gmail.com.

Kinmount area artist Bilijana Banchotova is planning a two part deerskin drum making workshop with Part 1 to be held in the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace Workroom and Part 2 outdoors. For more details please call her directly at 705-928-0407.

The Program of Events for the 144th Kinmount Fair is now available and promises a Labour Day weekend with something for everyone. The actual fair dates are Sept. 4, 5 and 6 and full details can be found on the website at www.kinmountfair.net. This year World's Finest Shows are offering an on-line only deal for Pay 1 Price Ride All Day of \$25 which permits one bracelet per person to ride on an unlimited number of rides on any one day of the Fair. To register for this special offer go to www.worldsfinestshows.com on or before Thursday, Sept. 3. The Pay1Price tickets will be available for purchase at the fairgrounds on Friday, September 4 only at a cost of \$30.

Until next week keep busy and well, they go together...

Minden Legion offers leisurely lunches for whole family



LEGION BR. 636

Attention grandmas and grandpas, and anyone else who needs an air-conditioned break from the summer heat, why not bring the kids and enjoy a leisurely lunch at the Minden Legion? Our friendly crew will have lunch available weekdays noon to 2 p.m. Leave the clean-up to us while you challenge the kids to a round of darts, a trivia contest or one of the other table-top games. The library in the clubroom is overflowing with military related books and videos. Read a book either while you are enjoying lunch, or borrow it and take it home. If you are particularly passionate about the book, you could even keep it for a suitable donation to the Building Fund. There's another bookshelf in the sports room with paper-back books on many topics, often with books taken and

brought in by the bundle.

If you are already a member of the Legion, time is running out to recruit a new member into the Legion and get the chance to enter the Royal Canadian Legion's prize draws of a Caribbean Cruise or an iPad! Once the prospective member has paid the dues for 2015, you can both enter on-line for another chance at the iPad draw. Because Dominion Command has cut the per capita for new 2015 memberships, Minden Legion has also dropped the dues from \$60 a year, to \$44. The mission of the Royal Canadian Legion is to serve veterans, our troops, RCMP and their families, to promote remembrance and to serve our communities, our country and our Branch. Membership includes several discounts and special benefits, as well as a subscription to the Legion magazine which would cost almost \$11 just by itself. Application forms and a free sample copy of the Legion magazine are available in the clubroom. It's a win-win situation for both of you, just get it done by the July 31 deadline!

It's also less than two weeks until the next draw for a Dinner for Two through Minden Legion. This month's prize is a \$75 gift certificate to Bonnie View Inn on Lake Kashagawigamog. You do not have to be a Legion member to participate in the draw, so get your tickets at the bar, \$2 each or three for \$5. Speaking of prizes, have you seen the zippered hoodie on display at the Branch? Purchase a Corona, and you get a free ticket chance to win it!

2016 will be the 90th anniversary of the establishment of the Royal Canadian Legion as a veteran and community service organization. Legion members can purchase a special silver commemorative medal issued by Dominion Command. The medal ribbon is in Legion blue with the stripes of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, because next year also marks the 100th Anniversary of the battle of Beaumont-Hamel. All Legion medals are worn on the right side of your full dress uniform, and this one would go to the far right of any other past Legion service medals.

UPCOMING

Community Events

Sharing Past for Future

When: Thurs. July 23, 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Where: Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Historic House Museum
Seniors sharing their heritage memories on topics such as family gatherings, maple syrup making, hunting, lumbering, sewing, preserving, farming, IBO railway, school days etc. Museum 705 448 3000

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When: Saturday, July 25, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Where: Elvin Johnson Park, 1221 Old Mill Rd., Halls Lake (next to boat launch)
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Irondale Community Centre Softball Tournament

When: Saturday, July 25, 2015

Details: Irondale Community Centre's Annual Softball Tournament
Contact Chris James chris.james2@sympatico.ca for more information.

Art and Garden Studio Tour: Dorset

When: July 25 and 26, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Dorset
This is a chance to relax and celebrate Dorset's local artists' studios and enjoy their country gardens. There will be 8 studios featuring the work of 12 artists. Three studios are located in downtown Dorset.
Brochures with a map will be available at each studio and garden and Dorset businesses.
Check the events page at www.dorsetcanada.com for a map and details.

Yoga & Paddle

When: August 1st
Where: Holness Yoga & Guest Suites
What: Join Mike and Gail for a scenic paddle up the Burnt River, Picnic lunch and Yoga by the water.
Contact: Gail Holness gailholness@gmail.com

Wilberforce Agricultural Fair

August 7&8, 2015
Wilberforce Fair Grounds, Wilberforce www.WilberforceFair.com

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August 9, 2015 2:00 p.m.
Guest Speaker: Glenda Burk

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August 8&9/15&16, 2015

Across Highlands East
www.HighlandsEastArtTour.com

Antiques and Yoga

When: August 15th – start 10:00 am
Where: Holness Yoga and Guest Suites
What: Gail loves her antiques and wants to share her favorite spots with you. Your day will begin with yoga and then the hunt begins. Gail will lead you on a tour of Minden & Haliburton's best antique shops.
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Flexibility & Fashion

When: August 21, 22, 23
Where: Holness Yoga & Guest Suites & Sue Mac Designs Killara Station
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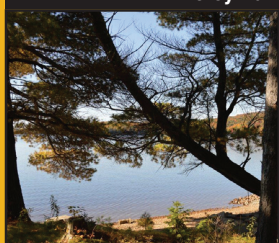


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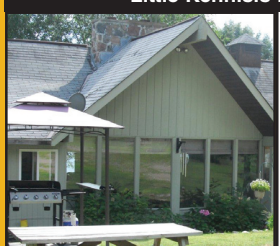


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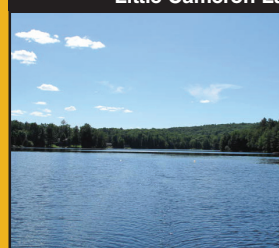
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